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In regard to the application of Ousley, et al. entitled INSERT FOR A TAILGATE CABLE ASSEMBLY AND A TAILGATE CABLE ASSEMBLY INCORPORATING THE SAME being filed concurrently herewith, the attached Form PTO-1449 is being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR 1.56 and 37 CFR 1.97 through 1.99.

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